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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT

Mr. Roger Darling's Articles on

Insurgency

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DD/I Memorandum, Same Subject,

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1. Mr. Darling's writings on counterinsurgency are familiar to and have been reviewed by a number of experienced officers for possible contributions to our own body of doctrine in this field. As the DD/I has noted, Mr. Darling offers little that is new. The value of utilizing an overall national plan as a framework for proper integration of military and civilian counterinsurgency programs has been well documented by this Agency, the military and various private studies for the Department of Defense. The emphasis in the attached articles is on Mr. Darling's conception of the strategic spheres of counterinsurgency, but he appears to have a somewhat superficial understanding of Communist insurgent infrastructure and also makes some unsupported assumptions about insurgencies and how to counter them.

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2. In summary, we agree with the DD/I's evaluation of Mr. Darling's articles and support his recommendations. would be pleased to participate in a discussion with Mr. Darling if you and the DD/I feel it would be useful.

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Attachments: A/S

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